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EXECUTIVE ORDER

AMENDMENT DECLARATION OF VOTE ON CERTAIN MEASURES

Pursuant to the authority vested in the Office of the Governor of the State of Colorado, and in particular vested in the Governor pursuant to article V, section 1 of the Colorado Constitution, I, Bill Owens, Governor of the State of Colorado, hereby issue this Executive Order declaring the vote on certain measures initiated by or referred to the people of the State of Colorado.

1. Background and Need

Certain measures were initiated by or referred to the people of the State of Colorado at the biennial regular election held on November 5, 2002. Secretary of State Donetta Davidson amended her certification of November 27, 2002, and certified on December 9, 2002, that she had canvassed the abstract of votes, and that certain measures were approved by a majority of the votes cast.

Pursuant to article V, section 1 of the Colorado Constitution, measures initiated by or referred to the people shall become the law or a part of the Constitution when approved by a majority of the votes cast, and shall take effect from and after the date of the official declaration of the vote by proclamation of the Governor, but not later than thirty days after the vote has been canvassed.

2. <u>Declaration</u>

Accordingly, I hereby issue this executive order declaring the vote on the following measures initiated by or referred to the people on November 5, 2002.

A. Initiated Constitutional Amendment: Shall there be an amendment to the Colorado constitution concerning campaign finance, and, in connection therewith, reducing the amount of campaign contributions that persons may make to candidate committees, political committees, and political parties; establishing contribution limits for small donor committees; prohibiting candidate committees and political parties from making or accepting certain contributions; restricting the amount of contributions political parties and political committees may accept from certain sources; limiting contributions and expenditures that may be made by corporations or labor organizations;

creating voluntary campaign spending limits; providing for a periodic adjustment of contribution and voluntary spending limits; specifying the treatment of unexpended contributions; requiring the disclosure of information about persons making electioneering communications above a specified amount; defining electioneering communications as certain near-election communications that unambiguously refer to a candidate and are targeted to voters; and incorporating into the constitution existing statutory provisions, with amendments, regarding definitions, deposits of contributions, limits on cash contributions, notice and disclosure of independent expenditures, reporting of contributions and expenditures, civil penalties, and duties of the secretary of state?

B. Referred Constitutional Measure: An amendment to article XIV of the constitution of the state of Colorado, concerning the authority of the general assembly to establish qualifications for the office of county coroner.

C. Referred Constitutional Measure: Amendments to articles VI, XVIII, XX, and XXVII of the constitution of the state of Colorado, concerning the repeal of certain obsolete provisions in the constitution of the state of Colorado.

This Executive Order supercedes Executive Order D 029 02 in its entirety.

GIVEN under my hand and the Executive Seal of the State of Colorado, this twentieth day of December, 2002.

Bill Owens Governor